

ELECTRIC CHAIR FOR DAVIS IS JURY'S VERDICT

CHIEFS SEEK DELAY OF STRIKE AS COAL WALKOUT IS BEGUN

Indiana Mine Field Prac- tically Is Deserted by Workers.

"CHECK-OFF" INJUNCTION APPEAL IS HASTENED

Anderson Order to Be Passed On by Circuit Court of Appeals.

A. F. L. OPPOSES STRIKE NOW

Time Not Ripe for Break With Oper- ators, View of Organization Held.

[By Associated Press.]

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Nov. 2.—Delay in the spread of the "check-off" strike of soft-coal miners, started today by walkouts of 25,000 union workers, closing more than 200 mines in Indiana, was anticipated tonight by officials of the United Mine Workers of America, who said developments awaited the discontinuance of operators of the union "check-off" of dues from miners' wages as directed by a Federal court injunction.

"Indications were that union officials would not call out the men scattered throughout the soft coal fields of the country, until collection of 'check-off' was actually ceased by the operators. First official reports of action by operators, elsewhere than in Indiana, reached union headquarters tonight, coming from the Pennsylvania bituminous district centering around Pittsburgh. The message from Robert L. Gibbons, president of the district, said the 'check-off' would be stopped with the next payday, the date of which was not given, but which indicated a probable delay in any strike order affecting 40,000 workers in that field.

Indiana miners quit in droves. Indiana workers, however, did not withhold their strike to await a formal notice from the operators, whose notice stopping the "check-off" has been drafted by counsel for the association. None of the important mines in the State worked today, and reports to both headquarters of operators and the union said that only sixteen mines were in operation.

The only court action today was the approval by Judge Anderson, of a bond filed by the Boardman Coal Corporation, complainant in the injunction suit.

The court action, followed by service of the writ on union men and operators, made the injunction effective. Plans for hastening the appeal of the injunction decision to the Circuit Court of Appeals at Chicago also were made by counsel for the union and the operators, but preparation of the numerous documents in their appeal delayed the presentation of their appeal to Judge Anderson. Counsel, however, regarded the appeal petition as a perfunctory request which would be approved by Judge Anderson as soon as presented, probably tomorrow.

ILLINOIS OPERATORS DEFER ACTION ON "CHECK-OFF" ORDER

[By Associated Press.]
CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—The Illinois coal operators' Association will take no action regarding the Federal injunction to abandon the "check-off" system until next Wednesday, when a meeting is to be held here.

This announcement was made today by Dr. H. C. Honnold, secretary of the association, who is sending copies of the injunction, accompanied by a memorandum, to all members. This memorandum states that the association feels there should be a thorough investigation by members and their representatives.

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WOODROW WILSON ATTENDS THEATER

Former President Recovers From His Recent Slight Indisposition.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Former President Wilson had no far recovered today from his recent slight indisposition that, despite inclement weather, he attended a matinee at a local theater.

Train Kills Unidentified Man.

CASTLEBERRY, ALA., Nov. 2.—An unidentified young man died here this morning from being hit by a train. The body was picked up a few miles south of Castleberry this morning by a passing freight train crew and brought to Castleberry about 8 o'clock, and the body was found to be bruised considerably, with one arm broken, and medical attention was given him by Dr. H. Carter, but died about 11 o'clock, without gaining consciousness.

Inspecting Shipping Board Tankers.

MOBILE, ALA., Nov. 2.—A board of inspectors from the naval air station at Pensacola, Fla., arrived here today for the purpose of inspecting shipping board tankers. They were here with a view of the navy taking over probably four of the vessels.

Congratulate Harding on Arms Conference

By unanimous vote the members of the Richmond Advertising Club instructed Secretary Warner Peirce to forward the following telegram to President Harding yesterday:

"Warren G. Harding, President, Washington, D. C.
"The reasonable assurance of permanent peace, brought about by a reduction in the vast international preparations for war, is a matter which directly concerns every marketing, advertising and selling man and woman in the world. Not only as citizens of the United States do we second your activities as leader of the nation; not alone as an organization in intimate contact with the commercial and industrial phases of business in this community and State, but as individuals interested in the future of the world and the benefit of future generations, we extend to you our profoundest congratulations upon the limitation of the arms conference which is assembling at your behest, and we tender to you our heartfelt wishes that this conference may bear fruit in a realization of the highest ideals which have inspired it."

HIGH OFFICIALS GREET JAPANESE DELEGATION

Secretary of State Hughes Welcomes Baron Kato and Prince Tokugawa.

EASTERN DIPLOMATS AT CAPITAL

End Long Journey From Tokyo to Washington to Take Part in World Disarmament Conference, Opening on November 12.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Principal delegates of the Imperial government of Japan, who have arrived here for the Washington conference, were welcomed with the highest honors that the American government has accorded to any of the foreign representatives yet reaching the capital.

Secretary of State Hughes and other high officials of the government greeted the Japanese delegates when the special train on which they and their party have crossed the continent rolled into Union Station late Wednesday.

Hughes had intended to meet Carlo Sciarra, the head of the Italian delegation, to the conference, and his party Tuesday night, but the late arrival of the Italians caused the ceremonies to be postponed, and the American Secretary of State's presence at the station to welcome the Japanese was the first time he had gone to greet any of the foreign plenipotentiaries. He will meet other ranking delegates as they arrive.

Chief Japanese Delegates Here.

With the arrival of Admiral Baron Tamesaburo Kato, Minister of the Japanese Navy, and Prince Iyeyasu Tokugawa, President of the Japanese House of Peers, the main delegates of Japan are now all here. The other principal Japanese delegate is Baron Kijuro Shidehara, ambassador to Washington.

When Admiral Kato and Prince Tokugawa alighted from their train they were greeted by a score of high officials, diplomats and army and navy officers. Present to meet the Japanese delegates were Secretary of the Navy Denby, Assistant Secretary

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DISCOVERS SERUM TO TREAT VARICOSE VEINS

Dr. Barwood, of Davenport, Reports Success in Fifty Cases Here

[By Associated Press.]
DAVENPORT, IOWA, Nov. 2.—Dr. C. L. Barwood, physician and Mayor of Davenport, at the county medical society meeting last night announced his discovery of a serum treatment for varicose veins, which he said had proved successful in fifty cases he had treated. He said he believed the method would eliminate the necessity for operations.

Sale City Is Fire Damaged.

SALE CITY, GA., Nov. 2.—The post-office, telephone exchange and three stores were destroyed by fire early this morning. The cause of the fire was undetermined. The loss is estimated at \$20,000.

\$100,000 Fire Rages in Georgia Town.

SYCAMORE, GA., Nov. 2.—Three brick store buildings and a peanut warehouse were destroyed by fire of undetermined origin early this morning. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

"Just One Ovation After Another"—Earl Beatty

[By United News.]
CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Life in America is just one ovation after another for Earl Beatty, first lord of the British navy.

Chicago met him with ovation, reception committees, military salutes and a parade, and the admiral smiled broadly.

He liked it better, perhaps, because a few relatives were in the cheering crowd.

Captain Marshall Field, his nephew, was at the station to meet the famous sailor, among thousands of others.

Earl Beatty married Ethel Field, daughter of the famous merchant prince.

NAVAL ARMAMENT REDUCTION IS FIRST CONFERENCE WORK

America Will Present Pro- gram Offering Reduc- tion of Ship Power.

U. S. DELEGATES MEET SECRETARY DENBY

World Court and Association of Nations Projects in Background.

[By Associated Press.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Conferees between the American delegation to the conference on arms limitation and the staffs of technical advisors assigned to aid the delegation will continue even after the conference itself has opened.

It was indicated today at the State Department where the American delegates again were in session with Secretary Denby and the naval advisors on technical matters of the delegation that there would probably be no termination of this discussion of naval armament matters or of any other specific matters to come up before the international gathering. The meetings going on as an occasion related even after conference was in session.

Discuss Naval Armament.

So far the American delegates are understood to have confined themselves in their joint discussion primarily with naval armament matters, no other subjects such as those involving a possible association of nations plan or a world court having been considered.

Nor is it understood that the association or world court plan, at least will ever be taken up in studying the naval matters the delegates are understood to be preparing to take the initiative and make a substantial offer in the conference looking to reduction of naval programs.

The United States called the conference, it was pointed out, and expects to be ready to submit a very liberal offer on its own behalf looking to such reductions.

Meet Morning of November 12.

The first meeting of the conference is now scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, November 12, in the auditorium of the building erected by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Formal notice of the hour of meeting and of the necessity to postpone convening the conference from the original date of November 11 will be sent within a day or so by the State Department.

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WOMAN BANDIT SLUGS MODISTE, AIDS 2 MEN IN A DARING ROBBERY

"Hate to Do This, but I Am Driven to It," She Says, as She Sandbags Victim.

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—"I hate to do this, but I am driven to it," said a woman bandit today just before hitting Ray Natfal, a modiste, on the head with a sandbag.

Dazed, the modiste dropped in the hallway of an apartment house on West Seventy-fourth Street where she had just entered. Two men stepped up, seized the fashionable gowns she was delivering, removed \$1,500 in jewelry from her person, stole her purse and fled, leaving a drugged handkerchief over her victim's mouth.

Police say the modiste's skull would have been fractured but for her well-padded hat and heavy coiffeur. She told them that she had received a call from some one giving a customer's name at the apartment and the person whose name was given was absent all day.

WOULD AID ROADS IN STATES FOR 5 YEARS

Representative Woodruff Proposes to Spend \$100,000,000 Annually in Road Construction.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—The Federal government between next July 1 and July 1927, would aid States to the extent of \$100,000,000 at the rate of \$20,000,000 a year in the construction and repair of roads under a bill introduced today by Representative Woodruff, of Michigan, a Republican member of the Roads Committee. The measure called for the expenditure of \$100,000,000 for national forests, roads and trails.

Honor Defenders of Marianna.

MARIANNA, FLA., Nov. 2.—A marble shaft in honor of the old men and boys of this town who defended Marianna from a raid of Union troops on September 27, 1864, was unveiled here today with ceremonies, under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy. Governor Hardee paid a tribute to the defenders, many of whom were killed and wounded in the fighting.

HANDFORD MacNIDER FAMOUS WAR HERO, IS NEW LEGION HEAD

Winner of Many Decorations at Front Elected Com- mander—Congress Urged to Pass Compensation Legislation—Harvey's Speech Is Rapped.

[By Associated Press.]
CONVENTION HALL, KANSAS CITY, MO., Nov. 2.—The national convention of the American Legion adjourned here tonight, after electing Handford MacNider, of Mason City, Iowa, national commander, selecting other officers and adopting resolutions covering a wide range of subjects. The convention had been in session without a recess since early this morning.

The election of Mr. MacNider to succeed John G. Emery, of Grand Rapids, Mich., was made unanimous after more than half of the State delegations had seconded his nomination and three other candidates nominated. Roy Hoffman, of Oklahoma City; Earl M. Cline, of Nebraska City; and John P. Williams, of Joplin, Mo., had withdrawn in his favor.

The vice-commanders chosen were: George L. Berry, of Rogersville, Tenn.; H. Nelson Jackson, of Burlington, Vt.; and Charles Kendrick, of San Francisco, representing the army, and Raymond Brackett, of Marblehead, Mass.; and J. A. McCormick, of Fort Lyon, Colo., of the navy.

The Rev. Earl Blackman, of Chicago, Kan., a minister of the Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, was elected national chaplain.

Daisy Made Official Flower.

The daisy was adopted by unanimous vote today as the official flower of the American Legion. The poppy had many adherents because of its association with Flanders battlefields, but when it was explained that it was not an American flower and could not be obtained in large quantities, the "poppy party" shifted its support to the daisy.

A fight for the removal of the national legion headquarters from Indianapolis to Kansas City, which the Missouri delegation promised in pre-convention campaigning to bring on the floor, did not develop.

Tone Down Harvey Resolution.

The election of officers concluded an all-day session marked by debate and wrangling over certain sections of the resolutions committee report. Particularly heated was the discussion of a resolution criticizing severely the speech delivered by George Harvey, American ambassador to Great Britain, before the Pilgrim's Club in London, upon his arrival in England to assume his duties as ambassador.

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WILL PRESENT EVIDENCE OF HANGINGS TO SENATE

Watson Declares Will Not Be "Bundled Up in Com- mittee Room."

IN HOT CLASH WITH BRANDENBERG Senator Asserts Charges as to Illegal Execution of Soldiers in France but Refuses to Present to Senate Chamberlain's Accusations in 1918.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Nov. 2.—Charges of Senator Thomas Watson that American soldiers in France were hanged without trial and were subjected to barbarous treatment were declared to be "preposterous and incredible" by Newton D. Baker, former Secretary of War, tonight.

"France was not a howling wilderness, but a civilized country," Mr. Baker said. "It was pretty well crowded with American men and women who would have been quick to report anything of this kind."

"If a single American soldier had been hanged without trial word of it would have come to this country and proper measures would have been taken. The Senate will find charges are preposterous and incredible."

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Notice was given in the Senate today by Senator Watson, Democrat, Georgia, that he intended to present to the Senate evidence on his charges that American soldiers had been hanged overseas without court-martial.

The Georgia Senator declared that he would not "bundle up in any committee room" and have his evidence "entombed with Senators in a report nobody would read," but would make his fight in the open Senate.

The Senator said later that he would reserve a decision whether he would appear at all before the special Senate committee appointed to investigate his charges.

Watson Clashes With Brandenberg.

Senator Watson's statements today were made in another hour's spirited clash over the investigation, when Senator Brandenberg, Republican, Connecticut, chairman of the special committee, presented a formal resolution authorizing the committee to take testimony and papers, and subpoena witnesses and papers, and to hold a public hearing on the charges.

Watson and also involved him Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri, in a spirited discussion with several Republicans regarding the proposed investigation.

Sensor Watson reiterated his charges.

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Kills Bear Weighing 420 Pounds.

MOBILE, ALA., Nov. 2.—A black bear, weighing 420 pounds, was killed in the swamps 17 miles north of this city today by Rev. W. G. Johnson, a local minister. The bear was shot five times before it fell.

GOVERNOR DAVIS URGES ALL VIRGINIANS TO PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE ON ARMISTICE DAY

Governor Westmoreland Davis, in a proclamation issued yesterday, calls upon all the people of Virginia to pray for success in limiting national armaments and the establishment of an everlasting peace throughout the world. The proclamation follows:

"To the People of Virginia:

"In the cause of world peace, I call upon all the people of Virginia to gather in their usual places for divine worship on Armistice Day, Friday, November 11, 1921, and there, as well as in the home, pray for success in limiting national armaments, and the establishment of an everlasting peace in the world.

"Armistice Day has been set aside to be observed as a public holiday throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia, and I urge the ministers of all denominations to assist properly in observing this third anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in the world war, by gathering their respective congregations together in prayer on this day, not only for world peace, but in grateful memory of the beloved and valorous lives so generously given to their nation's cause in the great struggle for the preservation of human liberties and the protection of the institutions of democracy.

(Signed): "WESTMORELAND DAVIS,
Governor."

WASHINGTON TRIP DEFINITELY HALTED BY LLOYD GEORGE

Cancels Passage Next Sat- urday to Attend Arma- ment Conference.

ACTION DUE TO GRAVE TURN IN IRISH AFFAIRS

Impossible at Present Time to Fix Provisional Date for Sailing.

[By Associated Press.]

LONDON, Nov. 2.—Premier Lloyd George has definitely canceled his passage on the steamer Aquitania, on which he was to have proceeded to the United States November 5 to attend the Washington conference.

This fact became officially known here tonight for the first time.

It had been known, however, for some days that the critical stage of the negotiations had reached a point where it would prevent Lloyd George from sailing on Saturday.

Owing to the grave turn in Irish affairs it is not even possible to fix a provisional date for the Premier's sailing, but he still intends to go to Washington at the earliest moment possible.

The cancellation by the Premier of his passage is considered a favorable rather than an unfavorable sign of the progress of the Irish negotiations. The interpretation placed on it is that Lloyd George hopes that a few days' delay in his departure will enable him to see a settlement reached, or at least the basis of an agreement arrived at which can be worked out during his absence from the country.

In this connection, importance is attached to the fact that Sir James Craig, the Ulster Premier, is coming to London Saturday.

NEW PLAN TO SETTLE PROBLEM OF ULSTER

[By United News.]
LONDON, Nov. 2.—The British government has formulated another proposal for a settlement of the Ulster problem, which has been a stumbling block to progress of the Irish peace conference. The proposals will be laid before the Sinn Fein delegates and leaders of Ulster simultaneously, and is believed to require concessions from both sides.

The outlook is somewhat improved, but the danger point has not yet been passed nor will it be until after another full meeting of the negotiators.

Sir James Craig has been summoned to London to confer with the government.

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EX-SOLDIER, SEIZED FOR SELLING WHISKY, RELEASED BY JUDGE

Says Idle Service Men Need Jobs, Not Bouquets.

to Live On.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Unemployed ex-service men need jobs, not bouquets, to live on, Judge Pettey ruled in a municipal court.

"When these boys went over to fight they left good jobs behind them. When they came back they got no jobs. They are always willing to go the limit for these boys," the judge announced.

He then backed up his statement and refused to sentence John Celino, an ex-soldier arrested for selling whisky in his brother's saloon.

"I needed work and I had to take this job as a bartender," he told the judge.

SEIZE REDS IN ACT OF PLACING BOMB

Two Are Captured in Havana's Lead- ing Business Thorough- fare.

[By Associated Press.]
HAVANA, Nov. 2.—Two men, Antonio Pazo, a Cuban, and Jose Rodriguez, a Spaniard, said to be connected with the syndicate labor atheism, were arrested today while in the act of placing a bomb at the corner of Zanja and Campanario Streets in the business section of Havana.

They were also charged with being the authors of propaganda directed against American officials in Cuba and were given a preliminary hearing this afternoon. They will be placed on trial along with eleven other alleged members of the organization.

The police authorities are keeping a close watch on the American legation in Havana and on all consular offices throughout Cuba.

To Settle Longshoremen's Strike.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Nov. 2.—Both steamship agents and union leaders asserted tonight that differences which led to a strike of longshoremen today will be settled soon. The settlement is expected at a meeting called for tomorrow morning, at which will be present the labor committee of the New Orleans Steamship Association and officers of the labor body.

Ally Lobsters and Boston Scallops.

Ally Lobsters and Boston Scallops. (Hotel) Rogers—Adv.

Falls 3 Stories, Sits Up to Tell Surgeon His Name

[By United News.]
ATLANTA, GA., Nov. 2.—Charles Compton, a negro window washer, after falling from a third-story window, set up and told the ambulance surgeon his name.

The accident occurred on a crowded street.

Physicians said, following an examination, that Compton suffered a fractured arm, a broken knee cap, and numerous bruises. His condition was not considered serious.

ITALY PAYS ITS HOMAGE TO 500,000 HERO DEAD

Unknown Soldier's Body Re- ceives Royal Honors at Rome.

[By Associated Press.]

ROME, Nov. 2.—Solemn reverence by King and peasant was paid to Italy's unknown soldier, symbol of her 500,000 dead, when the casket arrived in Rome this morning and was transported on a gun carriage to the Church of Santa Maria degli Angeli. It will be here in state until its final interment on Friday in the "altar of the country" under the Victor Emmanuel Monument.

The train bearing the body arrived in a suburb of Rome late afternoon being met by the Mayor and members of the Municipal Council. The casket of the train was virtually filled with floral tributes to the unknown soldier, more than 1,500 wreaths having been placed aboard by the authorities of nearly 100 towns through which the train had passed on its trip from Aquila to Rome.

Delegations of former soldiers and local organizations also sent flowers which were placed in the casket. Carrying the casket were thousands of men gathered at the station, lining the railroad, either preserving a reverent silence or waving flags and singing patriotic songs.

Official Homage.

This morning the car carrying the body was brought to the central station in this city, and royal and official homage was paid. The casket in which the body was placed that will on Friday be enshrined here. The King and Queen as the chief mourners stood with bowed heads as the coffin draped in the tri-color flag, carried from the train on the shoulders of eight valorous noncommissioned officers to the waiting gun carriage. Members of the royal household, princes and princesses, ministers of state, senators and deputies, the general staffs of the army and navy, crippled veterans, widows and mothers all united in silent honor for the dead.

The cortege was formed in the sta- (Continued on Page 7, Col. 6.)

N. Y. MILK STRIKE STILL UNSETTLED

Employees Refuse to Submit Matters in Dispute to Arbitration.

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Prospects for an early settlement of the strike of 10,000 milk wagon drivers, salesmen and platform washmen, tonight when the results of the vote of the board, the employers' organization, voted against submitting the matters in dispute to arbitration.

Walk-Out in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Nov. 2.—Hundreds of thousands of people of color in Cleveland were without milk this morning as the result of the failure of between 750 and 800 drivers of the Telling-Belle, Vernon and subsidiaries companies, to report for work. The men went on strike at midnight following a vote by members of the milk and ice-cream wagon drivers, chauffeurs and helpers union.

REOPEN "PEGGY" JOYCE DIVORCE SUIT TUESDAY

Attorneys Reported in Agreement As to Basis of Trial, Withdraw- ing Restrictions.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—The divorce suit of James Stanley Joyce, millionaire, against Margaret "Peggy" Joyce, is due for trial here next Tuesday.

All legal restrictions to the suit were believed withdrawn when attorneys for "Peggy" removed all exceptions to "scandal, impertinence and insufficiency of evidence," which they claim featured the suit of Joyce.

This is taken to mean that an agreement has been reached for a basis of the trial and that Joyce will withdraw his claim to recovery of \$1,400,000 in jewels and gifts to "Peggy" and that she will not contest the suit.

Endless Death Chain Is Prepared for Rats

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—An endless chain of death is being prepared for the rat population of New York, the city Health Department announced today. A half dozen of the city's 6,000,000 rats will be inoculated, it was explained, with a serum which will cause their death shortly after they have been released to return to their fellows. Experts say the carcasses will be eaten by other rats, these in turn will die, and provide poison serum for succeeding links in the endless chain. It is claimed.

DEATH PENALTY IS METED OUT TO MAN WHO SHOT HIS WIFE

Mouth Twitches Nervously as Clerk Reads Him His Fate.

2 SONS BESIDE FATHER DURING TRYING ORDEAL

Daughter Faints When Find- ings Made Known—Car- ried From Courtroom.

MOVES TO SET ASIDE VERDICT

Judge Wells to Hear Argument Wed- nesday—Attorneys Make Brilliant Pleas.

Elijah Davis, on trial in Hastings Court, Part II, for the murder of his wife, Elvira Davis, on December 23, 1918, was last night found guilty in the first degree, a sentence that carries with it the electric chair penalty. The case went to the jury shortly before 7 o'clock and the verdict was brought in about 9:40 o'clock. Harry M. Smith, Jr., of counsel for the defense, at once made the usual motion for a new trial, alleging that the verdict was contrary to the law and the evidence, and Judge E. H. Wells, presiding, set next Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock as the time for argument on the motion.

Davis was sitting between his two sons, Grover and Thornton, when the foreman of the jury gave the verdict. The accused man's daughter, Alma, who had been sitting beside her father, fainted when the verdict was given, and was carried to the stand by the prosecutor, was in the courtroom when the verdict was given, and at once swooned. She was taken, as on Monday, to the judge's room, where she remained for the evening, being removed to her home when she was revived.

Mouth Twitches Nervously.

Davis, as the verdict was given, sat with his face cupped in his hand, later rising, but betraying no emotion, as the clerk told him what fate held in store for him. He made an unsuccessful effort to smile as the verdict was read, but the corners of his mouth twitched nervously, and the smile that he tried to make faded away.

Commonwealth's Attorney W. C. Fullam, following the verdict, made this statement to a representative of The Times-Dispatch:

"Davis got only what was coming to him. It was cold-blooded murder, and, from the beginning, we insisted that the extreme penalty should be imposed."

Harry M. Smith, of counsel for the defense, said:

"The verdict was, as I told Judge Wells, in making my motion for setting aside, contrary to the law and the evidence. We'll argue that part of it before Judge Wells next Wednesday."

After a few minutes' deliberation by the jury, the court concluded to permit its members to partake of supper, in the course of which nearly an hour elapsed. Upon the return of the jury, the members again went to the chamber assigned, and, after about an hour, returned to the courtroom with their verdict.

"We, the jury," began the foreman, "find the defendant, Elijah Davis, guilty of murder in the first degree, as charged in the indictment."

The crowd which packed the court- room, and which was apparently at- tracted more by curiosity than by interest in the case, indicated its sur- prise by murmurs, which forced the court to call for order. The crowd stayed in the room, long after the verdict had been assigned, and while the attorneys for the defense, Harry M. Smith, Jr., and L. O. Wendenburg, were making the motion for the setting aside of the verdict as "contrary to the evidence and the law."

Both Commonwealth's Attorney W. C. Fullam and Richard Evelyn Byrd, representing the State, in their arguments, asked for conviction of murder in the first degree, frequently referring to the testimony which had been